ing organizations for their benefit, said sum of money to be used by the respective fire companies for the support, maintenance, equipment, and operation of said volunteer fire companies for the purpose of suppressing fires in said County.

303B. Said payment shall be made on the first day of October in each and every year by the County Commissioners of Dorchester County, and it shall be distributed to the four following fire companies of Dorchester County as follows: To Rescue Fire Company of Cambridge, Md., the sum of \$2,000.00; to Hurlock Volunteer Fire Company of Hurlock, Md., the sum of \$1,500.00; to Vienna Volunteer Fire Company of Vienna, Md., the sum of \$1,250.00, and to the Secretary Volunteer Fire Company of Secretary, Md., the sum of \$1,250.00.

303C. The County Commissioners of Dorchester County are hereby authorized and directed to levy annually an amount not exceeding six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) for the above purpose on the assessable property of said Dorchester County. Before the County Commissioners shall be required to pay the moneys levied for the purposes of this sub-title to the respective fire companies, the said Commissioners shall have the power to require the officers of said fire companies to appear before them and show to the satisfaction of said Commissioners that any sums of money paid by the said Commissioners to the said fire companies under this sub-title have been expended for the purposes set forth in this sub-title and also that said respective fire companies are active fire fighting organizations. In the event any of the fire companies hereinbefore mentioned cease to remain active fire fighting organizations, or have not used the moneys appropriated to them for the sole purposes set forth in this sub-title, then the County Commissioners are authorized and directed to pay to the other volunteer fire companies mentioned in this sub-title, in equal proportions, the unexpended moneys in the hands of the said County Commissioners.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1939.

Approved May 11, 1939.

